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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL DIPLOMACY: KOREA AND BEYOND.

- 1. ON SEPTEMBER 21 COSPONSORS OF PRO-NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION WITHDREW THEIR RESOLUTION AND U.S. TOGETHER WITH OTHER COSPONSORS THEN WITHDREW OUR RESOLUTION WITH RESULT THAT THERE WILL BE NO UNGA DEBATE THIS YEAR ON KOREA. THIS ACHIEVES OUR 1976 OBJECTIVE OF AVOIDING CONFRONTATIONAL DEBATE THIS YEAR ON THIS SUBJECT.
- 2. WHATEVER OTHER FACTORS INVOLVED
 OUTCOME IN BOTH KOREA AND PUERTO RICO DEMONSTRATES
 VALUE OF ESTABLISHING ONGOING DIALOGUE ON MULTILATERAL
 ISSUES WITH MANY GOVERNMENTS. OUTCOME IS A TRIBUTE TO
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EFFECTIVENESS OF DISCUSSIONS CARRIED ON BY POSTS, PARTICU-

LARLY THOSE IN NAM COUNTRIES IN ADVANCE OF
COLOMBO SUMMIT. EFFECT OF RESERVATIONS MADE AT COLOMBO
WAS ESPECIALLY SIGNIFICANT. ALL THOSE ENGAGED CAN TAKE REAL
SATISFACTION IN RESULTS OF THEIR EFFORTS. AS
APPROPRIATE, POSTS MAY EXPRESS APPRECIATION FOR SUPPORT OF
HOST GOVERNMENTS PARTICULARLY IN THE CASE OF KOREA WHERE
SUPPORT FOR FRIENDLY RESOLUTION WAS PROMISED (INSTRUCTIONS

WITH RESPECT TO CORE GROUP MEMBERS AND COSPONSORS WILL BE SENT SEPTEL. APPRECIATION TO MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE OF 24 WHO WERE HELPFUL ON PUERTO RICO HAS ALREADY BEEN CONVEYED IN DEPTEL 225437). NO FURTHER REPRESENTATIONS NEED TO BE MADE WITH RESPECT TO KOREA AT THIS TIME. IN THE CASE OF NAM STATES THOSE EXPRESSING RESERVATIONS ON EITHER PUERTO RICO OR KOREA WHICH HAVE NOT YET BEEN ENTERED SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER FORMAL RESERVATIONS WITH SRI LANKA AT COLOMBO.

3. FUTURE ISSUES: UNESCO AND ZIONISM/RACISM:

LOBBYING EFFORTS ON PUERTO RICO AND KOREA WERE ACCEPTED IN PART BECAUSE CREDITABLE U.S. CONCERN OVER THESE TWO ISSUES WAS ESTABLISHED. IN LOOKING AT UNGA AGENDA AND OTHER UN FORUMS OVER NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS, ISSUES WHICH WILL ENGAGE U.S. CONCERN INCLUDE UNESCO GENERAL CONFERENCE IN OCTOBER AND, IN GA, POSSIBLE REITERATION OF ZIONISM AS RACISM RESOLUTION AT UNGA.

4. ABOVE TWO ISSUES ARE NOT OF SAME CHARACTER AS PUERTO RICO AND KOREA IN WHICH DAMAGE TO DIRECT U.S. INTERESTS WAS A POSSIBILITY. THESE RELATE MORE TO DAMAGE TO U.S. PARTICIPATION IN UN SYSTEM, FIRST IN THE CASE OF UNESCO AND SECOND STEMMING FROM ANTI-UN REACTION OF U.S. PUBLIC AND CONGRESS TO ANY FURTHER EMPHASIS ON ZIONISM/RACISM QUESTION. ROBINSON

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